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SUBJECT: "FACTION FIGHT" AT NORTHERN CAPE COPPER MINE

1. ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS 3 MINE WORKERS (TWO TSWANAS AND ONE XHOSA) KILLED AND 35 INJURED DURING "FACTION FIGHT" EVENING OF DECEMBER 29 AT COPPER MINE NEAR PRIESKA IN NORTHERN CAPE.

2. MINE SECURITY FORCES USED DOGS AND TEAR GAS TO BRING FIGHTING UNDER CONTROL WITH ONLY MINOR DAMAGE TO INSTALLATIONS BUT ABOUT 700 TSWANAS CARRIED OUT BRIEF STRIKE DECEMBER 30 BEFORE AGREEING TO RETURN TO WORK. MINE EMPLOYS ABOUT 3,200 BLACKS OF WHOM 1,335 ARE TSWANAS AND 1,257 XHOSAS.
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